JUDICIAL CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED STATES

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20544

THE CHIEF JUSTICE
OF THE UNITED STATES
Presiding

JAMES C. DUFF Secretary

December 21, 2006

MEMORANDUM

To:

The Chief Justice of the Justice of the United States and the Associate Justices of

the Supreme Court

From:

James C. Duff

RE:

TRANSMITTAL OF PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE FEDERAL

RULES OF PRACTICE AND PROCEDURE

By direction of the Judicial Conference of the United States, pursuant to the authority conferred by 28 U.S.C. § 331, I transmit herewith for consideration of the Court the proposed amendments to the Federal Rules of Appellate, Bankruptcy, Civil, and Criminal Procedure, which were approved by the Judicial Conference at its September 2006 session. The Judicial Conference recommends that these changes be approved by the Court and transmitted to the Congress pursuant to law.

For your assistance in considering these proposed amendments, I am transmitting a memorandum from Judge David F. Levi briefly summarizing the proposed amendments and a report on amendments that raised significant interest during the rule-making process. I am also transmitting excerpts from the Report of the Committee on Rules of Practice and Procedure to the Judicial Conference as well as the Reports of the various advisory rules committees.

Attachments

cc:

Honorable David F. Levi

Professor Daniel R. Coquillette